

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 4 and 7 to 9 are in the case.

With this amendment, Applicant has revised Claim 1 to more clearly define over the prior art. It is believed that the revisions to Claim 1 now place the same in order for allowance.

In greater detail, Claim 1 has been revised to more clearly set forth the structure of the channel and to state that the channel is defined by first and second side walls and a bottom wall, each of the walls being straight and planar and with the apertures being formed in the side wall.

U.S. Patent 6,941,707 to Sigmund shows a structure wherein the apertures are formed in horizontal walls, one of the horizontal walls being equivalent to the back wall of Applicant. This arrangement, as will be appreciated, will not provide the ventilation which can be achieved by Applicant. The air entering the apertures is limited by the spacing between the back wall and the other horizontal wall — in other words, the size of channel 30.

Applicant has clearly stated in Claim 1 that both the side walls and back wall are straight and planar which is opposed to the arrangement in the prior art. Applicant further calls for each of the side walls being angled so as to form an acute angle with the upper surface of the sheet member.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that Claim 1 clearly and patentably

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defines over the cited art. The remaining claims are all dependent on Claim 1 and are likewise believed to be allowable.


Entry of the instant amendment and allowance of the application is respectfully solicited.



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